

REMARKS

The pending claims were rejected under the combination of Woo, Vogel, and Akira.


As amended, new claim 40 calls for a transmitter that, in the course of a video broadcast, inserts a control signal into a signal broadcast to a number of broadcast receivers. The control signal indicates that the receivers should record a replay. This avoids the need to actually retransmit the replay and allows users to view the replay at any time they desire.

For example, in the course of an ongoing sporting event, instead of inserting and broadcasting the replay, the system may simply provide a queue to allow users to automatically store the replay. The replay is a segment of the program which is less than the entire program. It could be, for example, a particular play of interest. The users then can view the replay at any time they wish. In one embodiment, a symbol may be displayed on the screen to indicate that a replay is available. Then the users, at their broadcast receivers, can replay at any time they wish.

On a similar analysis, claims 41-44 should also be allowable.

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